

SPECIAL PROCEDURES SUBMISSION

PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

E RECEIVED

In re the Application of

2004 03 2005

Tomoaki HATTORI

Group Art Unit: 2854ICE OF PETITIONS.

Application No.: 10/642,205

Examiner: E. Eickholt

Filed: August 18, 2003

Docket No.: 116878

For: TANDEM IMAGE FORMING DEVICE WITH REDUCED FOOTPRINT

PETITION FOR WITHDRAWAL FROM ISSUE UNDER 37 CFR 1.313(c)(2)

Commissioner for Patents

P.O. Box 1450

Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Applicants hereby petition that the above-identified application be withdrawn from issue pursuant to 37 CFR 1.313(c)(2) to permit consideration of the attached Information Disclosure Statement Under §1.97 and Request for Continued Examination.

Check No. 167276 in the amount of \$130.00 is attached in payment of the required Petition Fee.

Please charge any fees or credit any overpayment of fees to Deposit Account No. 15-0461. Two duplicate copies of this page are enclosed.

Should there be any questions concerning this matter, the responsible officials from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office are invited to contact Applicant's undersigned attorney at the telephone number listed below.

Respectfully submitted,

Randi M. Graas

James A. Oliff
Registration No. 27,075

Randi B. Isaacs
Registration No. 56,046

JAO:RBI/cfr

Date: June 3, 2005

OLIFF & BERRIDGE, PLC
P.O. Box 19928
Alexandria, Virginia 22320
Telephone: (703) 836-6400

**DEPOSIT ACCOUNT USE
AUTHORIZATION**
Please grant any extension
necessary for entry;
Charge any fee due to our
Deposit Account No. 15-0461